

services is required to consider for a child in an out-of-home placement; requiring the Social Services Administration to adopt certain regulations; requiring certain individuals to obtain a criminal history records check; and generally relating to custody and guardianship of certain children.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–819(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–819.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–823(e) and (h)(1) and 3–830(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–525(e)(2) and (i) and 5–561(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3–819.

(b) In making a disposition on a CINA petition under this subtitle, the court shall:

(1) Find that the child is not in need of assistance and, except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, dismiss the case; or

(2) Find that the child is in need of assistance and:

(i) Not change the child's custody status; or

(ii) Commit the child ON TERMS THE COURT CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE to the custody of: